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## Shutdown | Inconvenience, with worse to come

### FROM A1

12- to 15-person California Conservation Corps crews. They'd normally be "hosted" by a federal agency for work elsewhere, but meanwhile, Arcata has put them to work on trail building and vegetation management.

McKinleyville Community Services District General Manager Greg Orsini said Mack Town is so far unaffected by the shutdown. He is more concerned about newly-installed Governor Gavin Newsom's initial comments about redevelopment and water taxation.

Orsini called the possible water tax "troublesome on many levels," especially since it could be up to local agencies to administer. "Water is a General Fund issue," he said, and should be administered via that state budget mechanism.

Trinidad City Clerk Gabriel Adams said the seaside village is so far unimpaired by the shutdown. "Not yet," he said. "But it's only a matter of time." It is, however, also experiencing the holdup in grant development. Adams hopes that if it comes to it, there will be some flexibility with deadlines, given the circumstances.

In the nearby arts enclave of Westhaven, the impacts are limited to federal worker residents. "We have some federal employees in the neighborhood, and that will affect their ability to pay their bills," said Paul Rosenblatt, general manager for the Westhaven Community Services District.

Of greater immediate concern is the Trump Administration's threat

to withhold disaster funding from California. That could imperil the five-year revision to the Humboldt Operational Area Hazard Mitigation Plan. The plan assesses risks from hazard events such as earthquake, flood, tsunami, and wildfire and lists possible initiatives designed to minimize future hazard-related damage.

Depriving an area prone to disasters – whether from flooding, fires or tsunamis – of relief funds "would affect us much more," Rosenblatt said. "We can't get a hold of FEMA."

Blue Lake City Manager Mandi Mager largely echoed the sentiments of her colleagues elsewhere, saying the peaceable hamlet's government is mostly unaffected so far.

But, she said, the federal employees who live there are suffering the effects of the shutdown. "People within our community are being affected," she said. "We're all concerned about them."

Grants and other matters requiring federal assistance are halted. "There's no one to talk to," Mager said. "It's a little bit frustrating."

"In the grand scheme of things, we're minimally impacted," said Justin McDonald, Arcata Fire Protection District chief. But a big chunk of money owed to the department by the state as reimbursement for mutual aid during last summer's fires – about \$170,000 – is on hold.

"If the Office of Emergency Services doesn't get the money from FEMA, we may not get it soon," McDonald said. "Other than that. We're business as usual."

## RNP reopening

### MAD RIVER UNION

CRESCENT CITY – Redwood National Park announced Jan. 11 that recently closed areas of the park will once again be accessible to visitors using revenue generated by recreation fees. Previously closed National Park Service bathrooms and day use areas will be cleaned and reopened this week with all bathrooms and day use areas reopened by Jan. 19.

By using Federal Land and Recreation Enhancement funds to immediately bring back park maintenance crews to clean restrooms and remove trash will restore accessibility to the park while ensuring health and safety.

Outdoor areas of the park will remain accessible. Most facilities will remain closed, including Hiuchi and Kuchel Visitor Centers and the Crescent City Information Center. Park roads, lookouts and trails at the Redwood National Park unit of Redwood National and State Parks, will remain accessible, but emergency and rescue services will be limited.

Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park, Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park, and Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park remain open as normal because they are managed by California Department of Parks and Recreation.

Other services may be limited or unavailable during the lapse in appropriations, including visitor centers, ranger talks, educational school programs and scientific research. Permits will not be issued for vehicle access to the Tall Trees Grove trailhead. No backcountry permits will be issued except for Gold Bluffs Beach, obtainable at the Prairie Creek Visitor Center. Trails may become impassable due to down trees and other debris.

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## THE MCKINLEYVILLE RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

meets on Thursday, Jan. 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the McKinleyville Community Services District Conference Room, 1656 Sutter Rd. The committee will elect officers, discuss a marketing plan and other recreation issues.

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## Trail | Half-mile path

## ♦ FROM A1

Hank Seemann, deputy director of Humboldt County Public Works, gave a presentation about the trail to the North Coast Railroad Authority Board of Directors at its Jan. 9 meeting in Eureka.

The Arcata & Mad River Railroad Co. was incorporated in 1881, with the first train operating in 1882. That company was acquired in 1992 by the NCRA, with the last train operating in 1995. Seemann said that the rails and ties were removed for salvage in 1997, the same year that residents formed the Friends of the Annie & Mary Trail. And so began the long process of feasibility studies, environmental assessments and grant applications.

In 2016, the City of Blue Lake obtained a grant for Phase 1. City Manager Amanda Mager said the grant was for more than \$900,000. Construction is expected to begin this summer, with the project completed by the end of the year.

Phase 2 of the Annie & Mary Trail would extend from Blue Lake to Glendale, a distance of 1.7 miles. The 10-foot-wide paved path would mostly be located in a California Department of Transportation right-of-way along State Route 299. Last year, Caltrans applied for funding for this phase, but was turned down.

There is no timeline for the other phases. Arcata, meanwhile, is planning for trail improvements on its portion of the now-defunct rail line. (See story, page A1)

## Arcata to develop plans for Annie &amp; Mary Trail

## CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA — The City of Arcata has received a grant from the Caltrans Sustainable Communities Program to begin plans for a new multi-use trail in Arcata.

This new project will be known as the Annie and Mary Trail Connectivity Project, which will create a new trail that will connect Sunset Avenue/Larson Park to Valley West and the Aldergrove Industrial Park via West End Road.

The grant received includes funding to support public outreach and planning activities to help improve safety on the Sunset Avenue and Giuntoli Lane overpasses and to identify trail alignments and connections to the new trail from neighborhoods, park areas and businesses.

The Annie and Mary Trail Connectivity Project Team includes knowledgeable engineers and planners from the City of Arcata, the Redwood Community Action Agency, TrailPeople and SHN who are committed to

ensuring robust public participation throughout the planning process.

The project team will work to assess current opportunities and challenges for pedestrians between downtown Arcata, the Valley West neighborhood and Humboldt State University in addition to developing concept design alternatives for a trail and/or on-street facilities for safe pedestrian connectivity between these important community destinations.

The first public workshop regarding this project will be held on Monday, Feb. 4 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the D Street Neighborhood Center, located at 1301 D St. in Arcata.

All interested community members are encouraged to attend and share their input with the Project Team.

Community members who are unable to make the workshop are encouraged to take a project survey to offer ideas and input which can be found at [surveymonkey.com/r/ArcataAnnieMary-Trail](http://surveymonkey.com/r/ArcataAnnieMary-Trail).

**WESTHAVEN CSD MEETS** The regular monthly meeting of the Westhaven CSD Board of Directors will be held tonight, Wednesday Jan. 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Westhaven Fire Hall, 446 Sixth Aven. in Westhaven. In addition to the regular monthly financial reports, the Board will discuss a culvert repair grant project to protect vulnerable water mains. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend. The Manager's Report will include water loss and project updates on the Disinfection Byproducts Project. For a full agenda and more information call the WCSD at (707) 677-0798 or email [wcisd@suddenlinkmail.com](mailto:wcisd@suddenlinkmail.com). Regular Board meetings are the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The February meeting is scheduled for Feb. 20 2019.

**ARCATA CITY COUNCIL** The Arcata City Council meets tonight, Wednesday, Jan. 16 at 6 p.m. in Council Chamber, 736 F St. Agenda items include introduction of Ordinance No. 1513 amending zoning regulations to improve the design review process and outreach; discussions of a ban on additional plastic items; and more.

The council is also set to adopt Resolution No. 189-33 accepting real property from Cynthia Forsyth, Assessor's Parcel No. 020-201-012 (49 acres), as an addition to the Arcata Community Forest and authorizing the city manager to execute any documents necessary to complete the transfer of property. The 49-acre tract of land is located just east of Humboldt State University would be added to the 2,350 acre Arcata Community Forest.



## Rail | Take a peppy pedal along Humboldt Bay on a rail runner

## ♦ FROM A1

the Samoa Bridge to the Arcata Redwood Mill and back.

The company is also considering offering rides out on the peninsula from the Samoa Cookhouse in Samoa to Manila's Lighthouse Plaza and mini-golf course. A convoy of as many as 10 of the vehicles could potentially travel on these routes accompanied by two Rail Runner employees. Uri Driscoll said he expects to charge each rider \$25 to \$27 for the experience.

But before Rail Runner can offer tours, it first needs to work out an arrangement with the North Coast Railroad Authority (NCRA), which owns the tracks. The NCRA Board of Directors heard a presentation from the Driscolls on Jan. 9 and its members were enthusiastically supportive of the idea.

"It would be a wonderful addition to our tourist package here in Humboldt County," said Estelle Fennell, Humboldt's Second District supervisor and the county's representative on the NCRA.

Uri Driscoll said that a secondary benefit of the pedal-powered rail cars is that they will help clean up sections of the rail corridor, which is littered with homeless camps, heaps of trash and syringes.

NCRA Director Caryl Hart (who is married to Mickey Hart of Grateful Dead fame) asked whether there were issues regarding safety that needed to be addressed beyond having insurance.

Uri Driscoll said rail runners are popular in Oregon and elsewhere and there is no record of accidents.

"It's a lot safer than riding a bicycle," Uri Driscoll said. Someone in the audience then shouted "It's safer than

## Lawson | Additional analysis

## ♦ FROM A1

ical to the case. That is one of the issues we found incompletely resolved in the casefile we received from the Arcata Police Department, therefore we requested additional information on the analysis from the California Department of Justice," Flemming wrote. "We must know what experts will say under oath about the DNA analysis to make a just decision about the case. We are also seeking additional information on a second issue. Justice would not be served by a

decision by our Office that does not take into account critical existing information. I do not have a way to provide a timeline because justice would not be served by making a decision without all the information we need and I'm not in control of when we will receive it."

A vigil for David Josiah Lawson was held Tuesday, Jan. 15 at Arcata City Hall after the *Union* had gone to press.



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walking."

Board members said that rather than having the company work out an agreement to use the tracks with the NCRA, it might be more efficient for Rail Runner to hash out an agreement with the Timber Heritage Association, which already has an agreement with the agency and operates motorized speeder cars on the tracks. There was no discussion about whether the company would have to pay to use the publicly owned tracks.

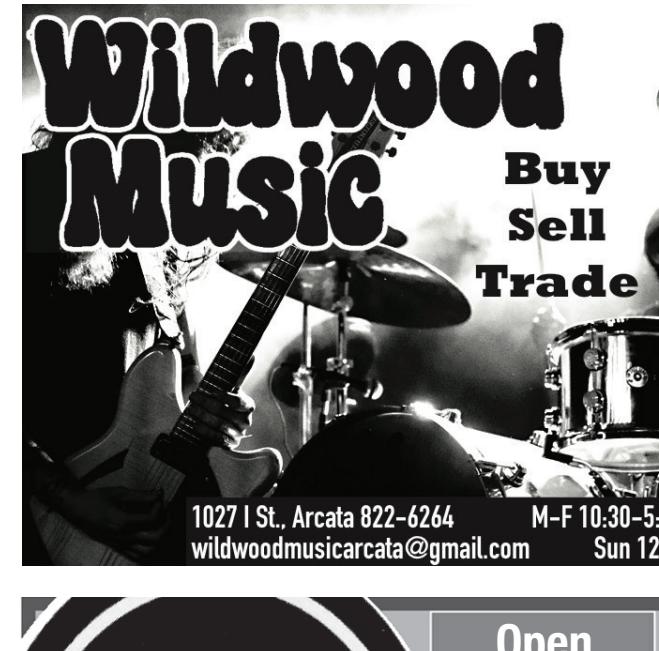
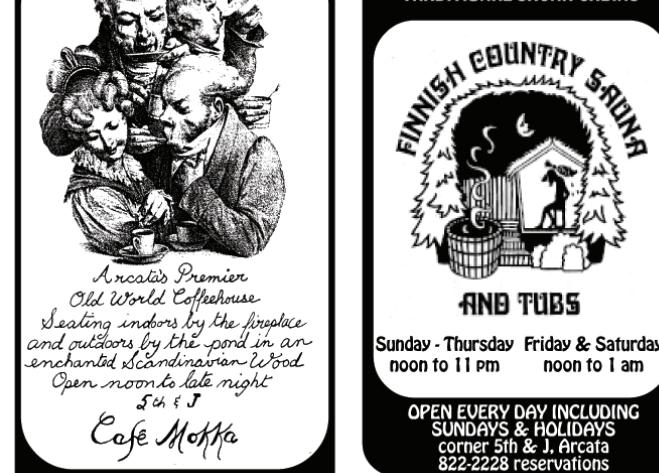
THA board member Pete Oringer said his group was supportive of the pedal car idea and would be happy to work with the company and NCRA to make the idea a reality.

"Yes, we embrace the concept," Oringer said.

Uri Driscoll said he is waiting to purchase the pedal cars until he gets the necessary approvals to set up the business. Each car, he said, weighs about 120 pounds and cost from \$4,500 to \$5,000 each.

The Driscolls are currently borrowing a pedal car and, with the permission of the THA, have taken friends and community members on free rides.

With minimal grades on railroad tracks, and minimal wheel resistance, the cars are peppy, fast and smooth. With four seats and four sets of pedals, the cars zip along



at a fast pace with only a moderate physical effort from those aboard for the ride.

There's clickety-clackety rhythm as the seatbelted riders cross the railroad trestle behind Target in Eureka and make their way north along the shoreline. One person aboard the car has control of a hand brake, so it can stop or slow down to admire hawks, egrets and other avian life along the bay.

At the end of the line at the old Arcata Redwood Mill, riders need to detrain, pickup the vehicle and flip it around for the ride back.

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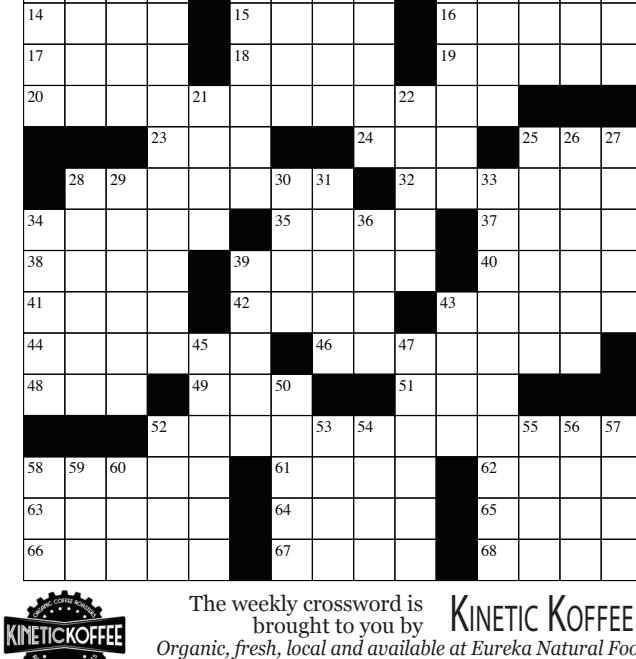
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# PUBLIC SAFETY

## The one you're falling in like with may one day be punching your walls

• **Sunday, December 23 8:51 p.m.** A man in a low-budget Valley West motel's parking lot yelled while holding a pair of scissors. An introspective singer-songwriter perched on a stool and sawing away at a battered acoustic guitar, even while wailing the same things, might have been a better choice for evening entertainment.

• **Christmas Eve 8:18 a.m.** As a relationship disintegrated, police were asked to stand by as a woman retrieved her belongings. Either that or ask the guy – last seen out front waving her costly musical instrument around as though he was going to hurt it – to leave.

**12:08 p.m.** A man refused to leave an I Street store, and threatened employees who truly aren't paid enough for this shit.

**2:15 p.m.** A man suffering from raging electrical cross-currents in his limbic circuitry refused to leave a Valley West store.

• **Christmas 9:14 p.m.** A yule-tide perv/prowler in a snow-white hoodie was seen peering in an upstairs window on Diamond Drive.

• **Wednesday, December 26 12:50 a.m.** An HBD BF, in police parlance, proved problematic, for not the first time. The had-been-drinking boyfriend was reported punching holes in the wall.

**2:59 a.m.** A weirdling in the lobby of a low-budget Valley West motel had some probing questions for the night clerk: is the manager around, and are you alone?

**8:07 a.m.** A man in a red hat and matching sweatshirt toddled around with his pants down at the transit center.

**3:17 p.m.** A pantaloons waistband again plummeted earthward at the transit center as a man liberated his bits for a wee on the wall. He was arrested.

**3:59 p.m.** A vandal with little regard for working people and the tools they need to earn a living jumped the fence at an Ericson Way business, breaking out the windows in two cranes.

**4:07 p.m.** The emerging disempowerment craze reached remote Valley West, where a bare-bummed man publicly pooh'd out front of a motel.

**4:13 p.m.** A bi-polar man was reported alternately chanting under his breath and growling.

**4:51 p.m.** A man near Diamond Drive and Coombs Court was observed talking to himself while whirling around in the street, but mercifully, his trousers appeared adequately affixed.

**7:24 p.m.** An Illinois State trooper called from Chicago to report discovery of a pot-packed parcel with an Arcata return address.

• **Thursday, December 27 5:57 a.m.** From within her locked room, a woman reported a male cohabitant growling and moving furniture around. She was worried that he might try to break her door down.

**8:30 a.m.** A car parked out front of a Ninth Street business for two weeks bore a parking placard issued by a nearby hotel. The hotel reported no lodgers associated with the vehicle, and that placard? It was one that had never been returned.

**12:31 p.m.** An unlocked garage door on Ariel Way surrendered two fancy bikes valued at \$4,000 to a roving ripper-offer.

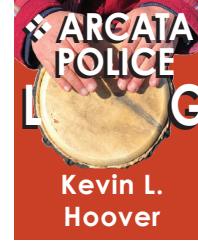
• **Friday, December 28 11:05 a.m.** A free-range alchemist out back of a Valley West pizza

restaurant wore purple gloves as he poured some kind of goo from white containers onto plants.

**2:08 p.m.** An alcohol-augmented frown-loading fusspot with face tats and a cat on a chain became needlessly aggressive on Alliance Road.

**2:09 p.m.** An attempted house break-in near Sunset Avenue and Wilson Street was interrupted when construction workers chased off the bald, black-sweatshirted bad guy.

**9:09 a.m.** An Eighth Street ATM was smashed – again – over who-



**BLUNT FORCE** Someone was really mad at this ATM, or maybe just the world in general.

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knows-what trendephemeral cause or random rage.

• **Saturday, December 29 12:36 a.m.** As incomprehensible as the word-salad narrative deployed by a gibberish-spouting woman in a Valley West motel were her intentions in leaving behind a printer there.

**9:41 a.m.** An H Street resident was minding her or his own business in the comfort and soon-to-

end privacy of their home when an unknown urban backpacker just sauntered in, strolled right through the house and then went back out to try and break into a motorhome. And another drunk was arrested.

• **Sunday, December 30 10:32 a.m.** A keg of succulent, thirst-slaking beer left in a truck on F Street was unlikely to survive the night unstolen, and didn't.



**EXTRICATION** The victim is removed from the wreckage. ARCATA FIRE PHOTO

### ARCATA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

ARCATA – On Sunday, Jan. 13 at 4:39 a.m., Arcata Fire District responded to a vehicle vs. pole crash at the intersection of Old Arcata Road and Stephens Lane.

The first arriving engine found a small sedan with significant damage and intrusion of the pole into the passenger compartment and a single occupant trapped inside. Two Arcata engines, one Humboldt Bay Fire engine, one rescue and battalion chiefs from both Arcata and Humboldt worked for over 30 minutes to free the trapped

occupant while Arcata-Mad River Ambulance paramedics provided patient care. At one point, four "Jaws of Life" tools were used. The patient was transported to St Joseph Hospital with major injuries.

Other agencies at scene were the California Highway Patrol, Arcata Police Department and PG&E. Samoa Peninsula Fire District and CalFire provided district coverage while Arcata units were committed.

Arcata Fire District reminds everyone to drive safely this winter season.

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There are currently two open alternate positions on the committee. These positions are not voting positions, but do attend every meeting to discuss Measure Z. The positions vote when they are needed to determine the presence of a quorum (six members of the committee).

Pick up an application on the county website or in the Clerk of the Board's Office at 825 Fifth St., Room 111 in Eureka. Submit your application to the Clerk of the Board via email [khayes@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:khayes@co.humboldt.ca.us) or mail in.

Applications are due by Jan. 17, and the Board is scheduled to make the appointments on Jan. 22. The first meeting for the alternates will begin on Jan. 31. All meetings begin at 2 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers in the Humboldt County Courthouse.

A full schedule of this year's meetings: Thursday, Jan. 31; Thursday, March 7; Thursday, March 14; Thursday, March 21; Thursday, March 29; Thursday, April 4 (tentative); and Thursday, Sept. 12.

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**CORNER CREW** Pico and Sepulveda... Lombard and Divisidero... Anwick Road and Clipper Lane... these are intersections where (at least according to Dr. Demento) nothing ever happens. And yet Sunday morning, Jan. 6, the tranquil Bayside crossroads experienced what must be an unprecedented infestation of Brians. Those would be APD Sgt. Brian Hoffman and Police Chief Brian Ahearn, there to meet and greet area residents as part of the new chief's familiarization tour of Arcata. The rain discouraged attendance, so APD's mobile Brian-trust went door-to-door, chatting up area residents.

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## You can't allegedly stab someone and just go strolling around

### ARCATA POLICE

VALLEY WEST – On Saturday, Jan. 5 at about 7:20 p.m., Officers from the Arcata Police Department were dispatched to the Valley West area of Arcata near U.S. Highway 101 on the report of a male who had been stabbed.

The victim was located in an encampment off of U.S. Highway 101 near the State Route 299 interchange.

The victim was transported by ambulance to Mad River Community Hospital for treatment where he remains in stable condition.

During the subsequent investigation, the suspect was determined to be Arcata resident, Ian Glenn Richard, age 26. On Sunday, Jan. 6, an officer from the Arcata Police Department located Richard walking in the 5000 block of Valley West Boulevard.

and he was taken into custody without incident.

Richard was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon.

The weapon has not been recovered and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Arcata Police Department at (707) 822-2428.

## Samoa grow op busted

### MAD RIVER UNION

SAMOA – On Thursday, Jan. 10 deputies with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Drug Enforcement Unit (DEU) served a search warrant on the 900 block of Vance Avenue in Samoa.

Phillip Morgan Likos, 36, was arrested and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on suspicion of manufacturing a controlled substance.



The California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Humboldt County Environmental Health and HAZMAT Unit and the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department assisted in the service of the warrant.

The parcel investigated during the service of the warrant did not possess the required county permit and state license to cultivate or extract cannabis commercially.

During the service of the warrant, deputies located a substantial indoor cannabis cultivation operation and multiple butane honey oil (BHO) labs. Deputies eradicated approximately 991 growing cannabis plants. Deputies seized and destroyed approximately 8,479 pounds of cannabis trim, approximately 277 pounds of

per violation;

submit a Hazardous Materials Business Plan (up to \$5,000 fine per day, per violation); unauthorized storage of hazardous waste (up to \$70,000 fine per day, per violation);

failure to prevent a hazardous waste release (up to \$70,000 fine per day, per violation); failure to make a hazardous waste determination (up to \$70,000 fine per day, per violation); no EPA ID number (up to \$70,000 fine per day, per violation);

failure to prevent a hazardous waste release (up to \$70,000 fine per day, per violation); mismanagement of lead acid batteries (up to \$70,000 fine per day, per violation); unpermitted cannabis operations; development within coastal zone without permit(s); building/property use or operation in violation of zoning code; construction of building/structure in violation of building, plumbing and/or electrical codes; additional violations with civil fines are expected to be filed by the assisting agencies.

# OPINIONNEWS

## Two sides of wetland values

The coastal wetland regulations mentioned by Mr. Laird are indeed onerous except it would seem when it comes to coastal dune management. The filling of protected dune wetlands that follow vegetation removal programs has been happening unregulated and unmonitored for decades. Ironically, if the plants that have been torn out are simply left alone, peer reviewed studies show wetland areas are actually created along with dune forest habitat. Simply put we can grow wetlands and bank them for future mitigations by simply putting a stop to the tearing out of coastal plants. Millions of dollars would be saved as well.

While the Coastal Commission staff is aware of these wetland impacts, they continue to turn a blind eye.

Conversely, when a rancher or land

## LETTERS

manager wants to repair or strengthen a levy the hurdles become almost impossible even though the importance of doing so is clear as Mr. Laird points out.

The Bay Trail will also need considerable mitigations because filling coastal freshwater wetlands is a part of the trail building plan. Unfortunately, it appears that valuable freshwater wetlands at the Lanphere Wildlife area will be converted to salt marsh in those mitigations. I wish I could tell you that makes sense.

Our community is going to have to make a choice. Are coastal freshwater wetlands as valuable as we say they are, or should we keep converting them into salt marsh and fill them with destabilized sand just because we want a trail and some people

don't like certain plants?

It seems the Coastal Commission and the County has two sets of rules or at least different enforcement priorities. While they may act as if the Coastal Act is preventing the securing of levees and subsequent protection of wetlands and agriculture, the concern seems a bit contrived. If they would just enforce the Coastal Act evenly, we would be building freshwater wetlands in the dunes and thus be able to protect agriculture lands, infrastructure and wildlife areas at the same time.

**Uri Driscoll**  
Arcata

## A big, beautiful... moat?

Perhaps it's time for Trump to get "moativated."

President Trump claims he has a large

base that demands to see a wall built to protect the southern border. Yet his idea that United States citizens should finance this promised Mexico paid-for wall appears to be stuck in Congress.

Instead, I think he should think outside the box and get "moativated."

I propose the U.S. government give his base free shovels with which to dig a moat along the border. Then fill it with water and relocate from down south a few thousand or so alligators. Finally, put up some southward-facing signs in English and Spanish with the warning "Danger: Cross at Your Own Peril."

This idea is really no crazier than some of the others Trump has come up with in his first two years; and who knows, it might work!

**Sherman Schapiro**  
Blue Lake

## Meet the nominees for the Arcata Chamber's Small Business Award

### Joellen Clark-Peterson

ARCATA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

HUMBOLDT – This is the latest in a series on the three nominees in each of six categories of Arcata's Annual Business Leadership Awards, featuring interviews with Small Business of the Year nominees Frankie's NY Bagels, Toshia Yoga and WoodLab. Frankie's NY Bagels is two years old, Toshia Yoga nearly four, and WoodLab eight.

Members of the Arcata Chamber of Commerce who made the nominations will vote for winners this month. Winners will be announced at the awards event on Feb. 23 at the Arcata Community Center. Tickets can be bought at the Arcata Chamber or on Brown Paper Tickets online.



**CRISPY AND CHEWY** Frankie's NY Bagels. SUBMITTED PHOTO

### How is the reality of having a small business different from the idea?

Frankie's NY Bagels (Frankie Barker): Definitely much harder than what I expected and more complex and challenging for sure. If you research too much it'll seem impossible – the permits, the regulations, the employees, training. I had to jump in or I wouldn't have done it.

Toshia Yoga (Suzanne Dunning): Yoga is so much about being present and the practice of presence, but the reality of run-

ning a studio involves tremendous planning for the future and lots of logistics.

WoodLab (Jeremy Harris): The idea means being able to work for yourself and having a sense of freedom in that, but the reality can be that you're even less free because you're so entangled with running the business. But the satisfaction of seeing something succeed makes it all worth it.

### How do you measure success?

Frankie's NY Bagels: There are different ways like monetarily; but mostly customer feedback asking me to expand. The feedback from the community and new customers every week. They get excited about new bagel flavors and I make them happen for them. That's the most fun about this.

Toshia Yoga: I think success to me depends on whether creativity is being

poured into everything I do – so if there is something I am doing and creativity doesn't feel like it's pouring through me when I'm doing it, I realize I am trying to do too much.

WoodLab: One project at a time. Keeping the creativity going and not feeling stuck creatively is, for me, the measure of success. This type of business keeps me on my toes in that way – sometimes more than I want – but that's what I've asked for.

### What is the most common question you get?

Frankie's NY Bagels: "When



**BREAKING LIMITATIONS** Toshia Yoga. DARREN RASER PHOTO

are you moving to a bigger location?" "When will you be in retail?" But also, "What is New York bagel? What is the actual difference?" Answer to that last one is the outer crust is crispy and the inside is chewy and soft and they're a little bit bigger because they're boiled and baked. And they're fresh every day. That's the gist.

Toshia Yoga: "I want to do yoga, but I have – fill in the blank injury/personal limitation – can I still come in spite of my major impediment?" Yes! Yoga is a process of embracing ourselves and our limitations; modifying the practice to meet us where we're at rather than we having to adjust ourselves to meet the practice.

WoodLab: Usually the conversation starts with "Can you do blank?" and usually we try to make our answer, "Yes we can" because we do such a variety of things. People see our website and social media and with such a variety of things that we can do, we get a wide variety of customers and requests. A lot of time people will ask us about very unique projects that they don't know how to make a reality and that's where we come in.

### How have you grown as a person because of your business?

Frankie's NY Bagels: Definitely becoming more confident. I try to not let anything stress me out anymore because I have to handle

things and get them done. I've grown a lot with that. I'm the only one who can fix things so there's no reason to stress – just do it.

Toshia Yoga: There has been a general sense of expansion – expansion of my capacity to love people, my idea of the situations in which I thought I would thrive or be comfortable or types of people I like

has expanded. The longer I've been in this world it has continued to break down my sense of limitation.

WoodLab: It forced me to do a lot of things I wasn't used to: dealing with lots of different clients, dealing with the public, communicating project ideas in various ways (over the phone and emailing), and

that's just the social aspect of it! Becoming a boss, having employees, and assuming all the responsibilities that come with that. On top of all that, just learning

more hands on skills as I keep going. I'm not just the owner, I also operate all the machines and do lots of designing. My design skills have greatly improved and I've been able to develop my own style and see that grow into all kinds of things which is fun.

### Is there a feeling you've gained by being a member of the business community?

Frankie's NY Bagels: I am proud to be a part of the entrepreneur business community. There

are so many people here that I can now relate to and reach out to about about payroll and all kinds of business stuff. This community is great – no one is pretentious; we're all in the struggle together.

Toshia Yoga: I feel honored, especially growing up in Arcata, getting to steer the direction of our community. Arcata is a model for the world for how we can live in a simpler way. We are more about presence and community and being in a healthy state with our bodies, our breath, and the seasons and I think the rest of the world is coming to that. Does success relate to how much stuff you have or how much freedom you have? If you shift your mentality to not about getting it right, but about feeling free, then your practice will steer you toward freedom.

WoodLab: It gives you a new perspective, especially in a small



**UNIQUE PROJECTS** WoodLab. SUBMITTED PHOTO

town. When you go into other stores here, you share the connection with being a small business owner. We all know the same challenges and successes. We could have our business in the Bay Area and probably get more work, but it wouldn't feel the same. There's a sense of pride and community in this area. Most of the people I talk to live up here by choice. It's a beautiful area with good people. It's a tight community and we have each other's back.

## College Life Today: It's never too late to try something new

### Michael Gibson

SPECIAL TO THE UNION

At the start of any new beginning, it is hard to get out of your comfort zone and what you are used to. Never be afraid to try something new, as it can help you grow.

Growing up in Inglewood in Southern California, I always had a passion for learning and sports. My mother was a teacher and I had a younger sister who always supported me. Their influence during my upbringing helped me when I decided to move, 10 hours away, to Arcata. This was a completely new area for me. I had no family or friends here. But I packed a rental car with all my things and drove away from the only place I felt comfortable and the only place I knew.

Throughout my 10-hour drive, what kept me inspired and not wanting to turn back around was the fact that I would learn something new. Being in a new area meant meeting new friends, gaining new opportunities, and creating family ties with new people. As a student-athlete in a large city, moving to a small rural area would be a big change.



**INSPIRED** Michael Gibson. SUBMITTED PHOTO

It actually didn't take me too long to get used to my new area. When I made it to Arcata, I started to work before I got into college. In fact, I worked for a couple years before I finally got interested in going back to school. The youth inspired me!

I worked as a program leader for an elementary school and I was also the Head Coach for a sixth grade boys basketball team. It was these experiences that made me want to go to school. I got inspired to become an educator, mentor, coach.

At this point, I applied to College of the Redwoods. I had three goals at the time for going to college. My first goal was to graduate with a teaching credential in early childhood education and/or transfer to a university. The second goal was to play a collegiate sport that I grew up loving to play. My last goal was to average a 3.3 grade point average, or above, while achieving the first two goals.

The fall semester started and I attended CR. At this point I stopped to think: "Am I really doing this? Am I really here in Humboldt County?"

Yes, I am here and each day I am learn-

ing. Being able to play football and go to school for what I love to do was starting to build my self-esteem.

After the semester and football season was over, I felt very glad I made the choice. I had built many relationships with teachers, coaches, trainers, students, and players. I was feeling really good! Then I checked my grades and realized I had achieved the 3.3 GPA I had set out to achieve.

With the support of my family and new friends I was able to build my self-esteem and enjoy successes. It's never too late to try something new. If I had never left Inglewood and moved to a new area, I would have never had this unique experience. I have no regrets and even better memories.

*Michael Gibson is a student-athlete and a kinesiology major with a minor in early child education at College of the Redwoods. He is one of the students documenting his college experience on social media with Get Ready Humboldt. Find more at GetReady-Humboldt.com.*

## Cannabis | Permits approved

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missioners that she opposes approving the permits.

"McKinleyville does not need three dispensaries," she said. A resident of a nearby neighborhood "a little bit outside" of the buffer said he's concerned about the manufacturing facility's potential to cause odor.

Support for the project was voiced by Terra Carver of the Humboldt Growers Association, who said that county rules

shaped by a "robust" public process are being followed.

Kelly LaRose, an Arcata resident and the owner of Calyx Mountain, said the extraction and tincture processes will be done only with alcohol, ethanol and glycerin.

Addressing the odor concerns, LaRose said that filters will be used and all delivered products will be "pre-processed and in tight containers."

She described the planned operations as "very efficient, conscious and respectful of our neighbors in every way."

Senior Planner Elizabeth Schatz told commissioners installation of a ventilation/filtration system is required to limit odors.

Noting Georgianna's concerns, Commissioner Ben Shepherd distinguished Calyx Mountain's project from other retail cannabis operations.

"This is a different kind of dispensary, this is more on the medical side," he said. "Having been a past business person, competition's a good thing, it's not a bad thing – competition hones your skills and makes sure you provide a good product."

The county doesn't set limits on dispensary numbers, although the 600-foot setback consideration applies if one dispensary is in proximity of another. But Commission Chair Bob Morris discouraged considering dispensary "densities," saying market forces should hold sway.

"I don't believe it's a wise policy for the commission to start deciding who can have a dispensary in an area and who cannot," he said. "I think that's a dangerous slope for us to start down."

Commissioners unanimously approved the permits, adding a requirement that three county inspections be done within the first six months of operation to confirm that odor isn't an issue.

Also at the meeting, commissioners held a third workshop on planning for sea level rise in the Humboldt Bay area.

Senior Planner Lisa Shikany described a policy that encourages "living shoreline" installations as a shield against rising sea levels.

Cobble berms, marsh sill, tidal benches and oyster reefs are living shoreline options.

Another planning goal is to allow the use of dredge spoils to elevate diked former tidelands.

The county's planning is spurred by the forecast of one meter of Humboldt Bay sea level rise by 2070. Shikany said that will endanger 62 percent of the 10,680 acres of agricultural land in the Humboldt Bay planning area.

A potential hurdle to implementing protection measures such as expanding or building dikes is the state Coastal Commission's policies against filling wetlands.

But Shikany said that if the commission holds firm on restricting protective measures, the inundation of coastal agricultural lands "will have impacts well beyond the county."

Other policy proposals include setting up a comprehensive, umbrella permitting system for dike work and coordinating the protection efforts of municipalities and agencies.

The commission's workshopping will continue in future meetings.

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## Two new cannabis vendors OK'd

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**MAD RIVER UNION**

ARCATA – The Planning Commission last week approved use permits for two new downtown cannabis vendors. The new cannabis retailers are Pacific Paradise, a 48-year-old existing

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shop located at 1087 H St., and The Fireplace, located at 1041 F St., Suite A.

The new vendors are the first to apply since the state created a legal framework for cannabis sales, and will double the number of cannabis outlets in Arcata. These already include Humboldt Patient Resource Center and Heart of Humboldt. A total of 15 use permits are available under Arcata's retail cannabis ordinance.

Some members of the public expressed concern about the proliferation of cannabis vendors and the shop's proximity to the Arcata Ball Park (which was repeatedly mis-referred to by members of the public and even by planning staff as "Crabs Field"), but most supported Pacific Paradise gaining the permit.

Many speakers extolled

owner Nick Matthews' sterling personal and professional qualities.

Matthews and Fireplace applicant Joseph Barclay both vowed never to have firearms present on their properties as part of their respective security plans, and that was written into their conditions of approval.

Both business owners spoke in support of each others' permits being approved. Several speakers said approvals would improve the downtown business climate.

Barclay promised a tasteful, safe and secure but enterprising cannabis business offering only locally produced products.

Both permits were unanimously approved by the commission. The permits expire after 24 months unless re-approved.

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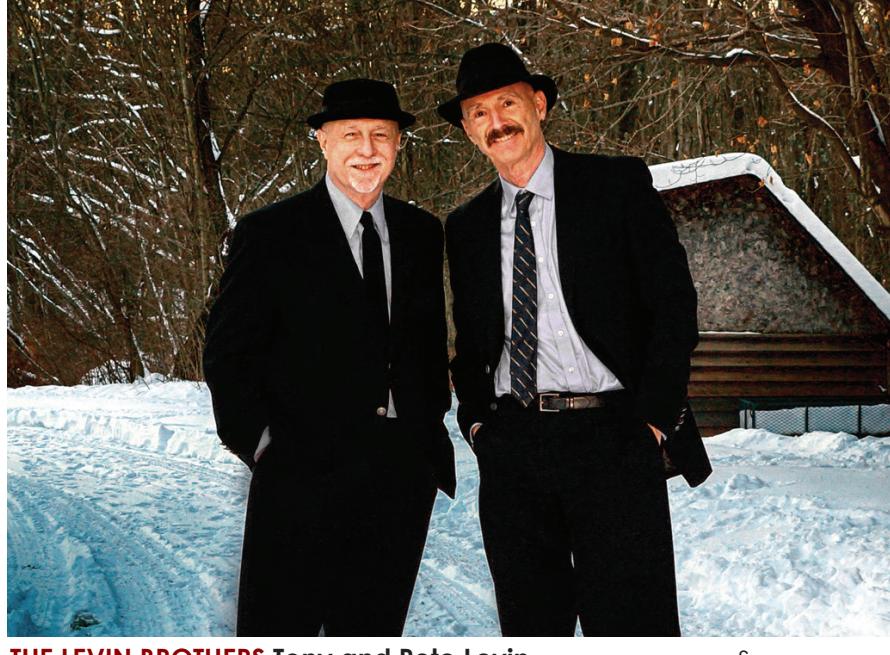
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**THE LEVIN BROTHERS** Tony and Pete Levin.

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## Levin Brothers come to Arcata

### ARCATA PLAYHOUSE

**CREAMERY DISTRICT** — Rock bass legend Tony Levin joins his brother Pete Levin for an evening of jazz with the Levin Brothers Trio at the Arcata Playhouse for a special two-night engagement on Sunday, Jan. 20 and Monday, Jan. 21 at 8 p.m. The Arcata Playhouse is located at 1251 Ninth St. in Arcata.

Tony Levin has played and recorded with the likes of Peter Gabriel, John Lennon, Paul Simon, David Bowie, King Crimson, Alice Cooper, Sarah McLachlan, Stevie Nicks, Pink Floyd, Dire Straits, Lou Reed, Tom Waits, Buddy Rich, The Roches, Todd Rundgren, Warren Zevon, Bryan Ferry, Laurie Anderson and Yes. If you listened to contemporary music in the last 30 years you have heard Tony Levin's amazing bass playing.

Tony's brother Pete Levin who plays keyboards in the band has an equally impressive resume. In the 1970s and 1980s he was in high demand in the New York City recording studio scene. He has graced hundreds of jazz and pop recordings and performances by the likes of Miles Davis, Gil Evans, Dave Brubeck, David Sanborn, Joe Louis Walker, Freddie Hubbard, Annie Lennox, Charles Mingus, Jaco Pastorius and Wayne Shorter. He currently records with his organ trio with Dave Stryker and Lenny White.

Drummer/Composer Jeff Siegel

rounds out the trio and is a veteran of the New York Jazz Scene and has worked with a virtual who's-who of jazz artists himself. A member of Sir Roland Hanna's Trio from 1994-99, Siegel has performed and recorded with jazz legends including Ron Carter, Kenny Burrell, Jack DeJohnette, Benny Golson, Frank Foster, Helen Merrill and Mose Allison.

For the first time in their storied careers the two brothers have joined together for a return to their jazz roots with The Levin Brothers band and a rare West Coast tour. Pete Levin mused about how the band got together, "Last year, Tony called me to say he was getting into jazz cello and did I have time to get together and play. His idea was to revisit music we listened to as kids, soulful jazz with melodies we could still sing after 50 years. We wrote some tunes, jammed, wrote some more, and talked about doing local trio gigs."

After recording their efforts they started touring nationally and internationally. Now they will be bringing their unique jazz style to the West Coast for their 2019 Winter tour with a stop in Humboldt County.

Tickets are \$34 general and \$32 for members, available online at [arcataplayhouse.org](http://arcataplayhouse.org), at Wildberries Marketplace or reserve at (707) 822-1575. Doors are at 7:30 p.m. with the show at 8 p.m.

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ity of bringing the beatification project of painted utility boxes to McKinleyville. There are many steps that would have to be taken and all artwork would go through an approval process.

Before the chamber begins the process, the chamber would like to know if this is a project that the

**McKinleyville**



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1) Jones Creek Runoff - Villa Way Cul-de-Sac, 10.80'  
2) Old Samoa Road, Mad River Slough Wildlife Area, 5.42'  
3) Arcata Marsh, West Side Dike, 6.04'  
4) Arcata Marsh, West Pond (on Trail), 11.75'  
5) Arcata Marsh, Brackish Pond Tide Gate (on Trail), 11.61'  
6) Arcata Marsh, Boat Launch (on Launch Ramp), 4.16'  
7) Arcata Marsh, SE Corner of Kopp Lake (on Trail), 11.64'  
8) Dosewallips State Park, Mad River Slough (on Barn), 5.81'  
9) Arcata Marsh, SW Corner, Oxidation Pond 1 (on Trail), 12.47'  
10) Arcata Marsh, SE Corner, Oxidation Pond 1 (on Trail), 11.77'  
11) Humboldt Bay Trail North, Butcher Slough Pedestrian Bridge, 10.76'  
12) Humboldt Bay Trail North, at Gannon Slough, 5.16'  
13) Humboldt Bay Trail North, Jacoby Creek, 7.60'  
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**BOWL OF BEANS** The City of Arcata Recreation Division invites the community to celebrate and honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. while raising funds for local youth at the 19th Annual Bowl of Beans Benefit on Monday, Jan. 21 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Arcata Community Center, located at 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway. This fun-filled event benefits the Arcata Recreation Youth Scholarship Fund for the Arts and the Arcata Elementary School Art Program and is sponsored in partnership with the City of Arcata Recreation Division and Arcata Elementary School. Attendees will enjoy a delicious meal including rice, beans, cornbread and salad prepared by volunteers and staff from Arcata Elementary School. The evening will include performances by youth from Arcata Elementary School and local artists including the Arcata Interfaith Gospel and Youth Choir, storyteller Baba Jaman Koram, Asha Nan and more. General admission is \$8 and \$6 for youth and seniors.

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## Hoedown in Blue Lake

**A** little wet weather isn't a problem for us in Blue Lake. We still have so many things for you to come out and do, rain or shine!

### Dell'Arte productions

We are so lucky to have internationally famous Dell'Arte school of physical theater in the City of Blue Lake. If you haven't had a chance to see one of Dell'Arte's productions, then you are really missing out. Running last weekend and this weekend is the play *Radioman*, written by James McManus and directed by Michael Fields and Roman Sanchez.

According to the show description on the Dell'Arte website, "Love is the common theme that unites these veteran's stories representing soldiers from the Vietnam War through to current military conflicts – across race, gender, rank and file." You can find more information and ticket ordering at [dellarte.com](http://dellarte.com).

### Barn dance

The Blue Lake Chamber of Commerce is going to its first Mad River Hoedown Barn Dance & Pie Contest on Saturday, Jan. 26 from 7 to 10 p.m. at Prasch Hall, 312 Railroad Ave. in Blue Lake. Anyone who is interested in participating in a pie baking contest should pick up an application anytime from Blue Lake City Hall.

### Pints for Non-Profits

Normally, Mad River Brewery supports pints for non-profits on Wednesdays, but this month, there will be a special Pints for Non-profits on Saturday, Jan. 19 for Steelhead Days. Come on out, grab a pint of your favorite beer, and one dollar of every pint will go towards this worthy cause!

That's all for now folks, but keep your eyes open for new and exciting things coming to Blue Lake, like a special children's fishing day and Steelhead Days expo and cyclocross mountain bike event to happen in February!

### THE LOGGER BAR IN BLUE LAKE

**L**awnstock team is seeking new key volunteers to help organize and participate in their 2019 benefit concert. There are volunteer openings in all areas of organization: recruitment and organization of volunteers; vendors; raffles and silent auction; promotions; decorations and displays; garbage and clean-up; food/ cafe; set-up and tear-down. If interested in having a fun time and helping a community member in need, please contact Shelley Lima, [Lyonking.lima46@gmail.com](mailto:Lyonking.lima46@gmail.com). Lawnstock 2019 is a DreamMaker Project of the Ink People Center for the Arts, and is supported in part by Zwerdling Law Firm and Mercury Sky Records.

### VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Do you like live music? Would you like to help a local family in need? Lawnstock is a day of local music, food and drinks held annually at Perigot Park in Blue Lake as a benefit for a local family dealing with the challenges of having a child with on-going specialized medical needs. The

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## Trinidad thanks outgoing manager, looks for replacement

**O**utgoing City Manager Dan Berman was honored at last week's Trinidad City Council meeting with cake and coffee and well wishes from Trinidad Civic Club and the community. The council is actively screening applications for the job, however, it was decided that the council would hire Dan as an independent contractor, working about 15 hours a week, to assist with city business until the new manager is hired.

Other agenda items included a presentation by Trails Committee members Shirley Laos, Zach Brown and Scarlet Ibis on recommendations for trail maintenance, signage and invasive species control. The mission and vision statement of the committee

are "The prudent preservation and maintenance of the pedestrian trail system in and around Trinidad," and "The further acquisition of land and partnerships to expand and connect the pedestrian trail system throughout the city and its surrounds."

The Trails Committee Charter reads "The primary function is to advise the City Council, staff and Planning Commission on matters relating to policies affecting trails in the City of Trinidad."

Other Trails Committee members are Gail Kenny, Frankie Meyers, Rosie Clayburn and Ben Morehead. The group meets on the third Tuesday of each month in the Club Room, Town Hall. Time and date are posted regularly at the Town Hall and at the post office.

In other city business, there was a lengthy discussion among the city council members, with many comments from the audience, on rezoning the four-plex on Parker Street between the Eatery and Holy Trinity Church from urban residential to planned development.

The council voted 3-1, with Mayor Ladwig recusing himself from the discussion since he is a very close neighbor, to approve the rezoning.

Meantime, the Planning Commission and the Council continue efforts to complete the General Plan, not updated since 1980.



**BEST WISHES** Dan Berman, outgoing Trinidad City Manager, was given cake and well wishes by Trinidad Civic Club and the grateful citizens of Trinidad at last week's Trinidad City Council meeting.

PHOTO BY JAN WEST

### Big Lagoon School News

Big Lagoon School Superintendent-Principal Jennifer Glueck invites community members to participate in the School Site Council and Safety Committee meeting coming up on Thursday, Jan. 17. Call the school at (707) 677-3688 or email [admin@biglagoon.org](mailto:admin@biglagoon.org) for time and meeting room. The Board of Trustees meets on Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 4:30 p.m. at the school. Members of the school community are welcome to attend.

In other news, students are looking forward to attending a Feb. 5 performance of the Golden Chinese Acrobats at the Arkley Center, Eureka. Since January is Whole Grain Month and National Oatmeal Month besides, the students learned that Russia, Canada, the U.S.A., Finland and Poland are the world's leading producers of oats. As well, the students have regular lessons in speaking the Yurok language. Much going on at little Big Lagoon School.

### 'Freedom of the Press: What Does it Mean?'

Trinidad Lion Martha Sue Davis and Bill Nelson are chairmen of the

82nd Annual District 4 Lions Club Student Speakers Contest.

High school students are invited to research and prepare a 10-minute speech on "Freedom of the Press: What Does it Mean?" for the contest set for Thursday, Feb. 7 at 6 p.m. at Trinidad Town Hall. The winner of the Trinidad Lions Club contest will receive \$100 (all qualifying contestants will receive \$25) and a chance to compete against the winners of other local club contests. Additional levels include a final State wide contest for which the winner will receive a \$10,000 scholarship.

Contact Martha or Bill at (707) 677-3776 or (650) 400-4803 for additional information or go to the student speakers website at [md4lions/student-speakers-contest.org](http://md4lions/student-speakers-contest.org).

Don't forget that the Trinidad Lions hold Lions Club Breakfast on Sunday, Jan. 27 from 8 to 11 a.m. at Trinidad School.

### At the WCA

Flicks and Jazz have switched nights. *The Big Sleep* (1946) starring Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall will be shown at WCA, 501 South Westhaven Dr. on Friday, Jan. 18 at 7 p.m.

An Evening of Free Jazz and Balloons with trumpeter Nicholas Talvala and RLA is set for Friday, Jan. 25 at 7 p.m. Admission is \$5 to \$20 on a sliding scale. WCA announces that the new Artist in Residence is Crystal Ange; Musician in Residence is violinist Rosalind Parducci; and Writer in Residence is Bryan Radzin. The gallery is open Friday through Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. "A World in Color" featuring the photographs of Nancy Rae Burrow and Alan Samuel is currently on view. Call (707) 677-9493 or go to [westhavencenter.org](http://westhavencenter.org) for more program, art and fitness class details.

### Trinidad Clam Beach Run

The Greater Trinidad Chamber of Commerce reminds runners to register for the Trinidad Clam Beach Run Honoring Ford Hess coming up soon on Saturday, Jan. 26. Go to [trinidadtocalmbeach.com](http://trinidadtocalmbeach.com) to register for the 3, 5 3/4 or 8 3/4 mile run-walk. There is a Trinidad School-sponsored carbohydrate-loading spaghetti dinner at Trinidad School the night before which benefits school class projects. Call (707) 677-3631 for details.

Email [Patti@baycity@sonic.net](mailto:Patti@baycity@sonic.net).

## Native Gardens at NCRT

### NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE

The North Coast Repertory Theatre continues its 35th season with the raucous and timely new comedy *Native Gardens*. The production opens at 8 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 18 and runs through Feb. 10.

In *Native Gardens*, written by Karen Zarcarías, Pablo and Tania have thriving careers and a baby on the way. Frank and Virginia have a prize-winning English garden. Cultures clash and laughs fly when a disputed fence-line blows up into a full blown border war in this hilarious new comedy that examines cultural expectations and whether "good fences" really do make "good neighbors."

*Native Gardens* is directed by Michelle Purnell. The cast features Amy Beltran, Scott "Q" Marcus, Victor Parra, and Denise Ryles. Scenic design is by Diana Lynn. Costume design is by Isabella Cejas. Lighting design is by Calder Johnson. The production is stage managed by Kira Gallaway.

*Native Gardens* opens at 8 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 18. A

champagne reception will follow the performance, and ticket sales benefit the cast and crew. Ticket prices are \$18 general/ \$16 students and seniors.

Friday and Saturday evening performances are at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinée performances are at 2 p.m. continuing through Feb. 10. The performance on Saturday, Jan. 19 is a benefit for Humboldt Mediation Services, and all tickets are \$20.

The performance on Sunday, January 20 is a benefit for the Eureka High School Black Student Union and all tickets are \$20.

*Native Gardens* is the second play produced as part of NCRT's La Voz Project. La Voz is a three-year commitment to producing one play annually by a LatinX playwright, while partnering with local LatinX organizations to promote cultural representation.

NCRT is located at 300 Fifth St., Eureka. To purchase tickets online or to learn about volunteer opportunities, upcoming shows, or group discounts, visit [ncrt.net](http://ncrt.net). You can also leave a message for the theater at (707) 442-NCRT (6278).

Jan. 19 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.. They are hosting free creative reuse crafts, raffles, drop-in volunteering, and store-wide sales! Participate in a treasure hunt, find prizes and coupons hidden around the store. Explore the space, you never know what you may find.

## SCRAP OPEN HOUSE

Did you set a new year's resolution to be more creative, organized, sustainable or to help our community? SCRAPS, at 101 H St. in Arcata, invites the Humboldt community to achieve their goals and celebrate a sustainable 2019 at its Open House Party on Saturday,

## McKinleyville | State of McKinleyville meeting on Jan. 23

### At Six Rivers Brewery

Husky Burnette performs "dirty rock 'n' roll" music Thursday, Jan. 17 from 8 to 11 p.m. at the Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave. in McKinleyville.

Also at the brewery:

• Dance while DJ D'Vinity spins throwback hits during the After Work Sessions on Friday, Jan. 18 from 4 to 7 p.m.

• Trivia Night takes place

on Sunday, Jan. 20 starting at 8 p.m. Compete for Brewery Bucks. First place wins \$50.

• Karaoke with DJ Mary takes place every Monday at 9 p.m.

• Good Company performs Celtic music on Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 8 p.m.

### State of McKinleyville

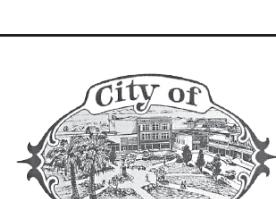
The annual State of McKinleyville meeting takes place on Wednesday, Jan. 23 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd. in McKinleyville.

### MCK Chamber Mixer

The next McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce mixer will be held on Thursday, Jan. 24 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Cher-ae Heights Casino in Trinidad. The event is free and all community members are welcome.

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### CROSSWORD SOLUTION



See crossword on page A2

## OBITUARY

**Ursula Mayclin Melvin, Aug. 8, 1969 – Dec. 16, 2018**

**U**rsula Mayclin Melvin, daughter of Jim and Susan Stephenson of Trinidad, California, died on Dec. 16, 2018 at Hopewell Hospice House, Portland, Oregon, after a 3 1/2 year dance with ovarian cancer.

Ursula possessed a warm, inviting, and adventurous spirit. She was quick to start up a conversation and to share her contagious laugh. Ursula had the gifts of listening, caring and making one feel valued.

She loved being in nature and was a gardener, sharing this love with her children as soon as they could walk. She taught children care of animals at the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, was an equestrian trail guide in the California Trinity Mountains, and helped disabled children ride horses. She led river rafting trips across the western U.S., worked for Naturalists at Large and the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS), led backpacking, sea kayaking, rafting and climbing courses.

Ursula was also a Montessori student and teacher. She co-founded the Michael Olaf Montessori



Company and worked in this family business in many capacities over the years. She collaborated in the creation of the Montessori Aid to Life initiative ([aidtolife.org](http://aidtolife.org)) for the Association Montessori Internationale, and shared her teaching and parenting experiences freely.

Ursula was born on Aug. 8, 1969 in San Francisco. She has lived in the U.S.A., England, Peru, Germany and the Virgin Islands. She traveled to West Africa, Japan, Europe, South America. In 2000 she traveled to Cuba with her brother Michael Stephenson and other members of the Humboldt Country Afro-Cuban band "Kochimbo."

Her last trip, in September 2018, was to Argentina with her sister Narda.

Arts and education were important to Ursula. She studied classical ballet with teachers from the Royal Academy of Dance London, and African dance. She studied art at Lacoste in France, the California College of the Arts in Oakland, and San Francisco State University, earning a BA in studio arts from Humboldt State University where she was a

regular volunteer with LEAP, the Leadership Education Adventure Program. She earned a Montessori graduate diploma, and a M.Ed from Loyola University Maryland.

Ursula was always there for others, feeding the homeless, introducing innercity youth to the wonders of nature, supporting the Tibetan Nuns Project. Many have been inspired by her life and will miss her.

Ursula brought her family to Humboldt County many times, for Suzuki Summer Academy, the Trinidad Museum and Library, to HSU for performances and the Natural History Museum, the beaches and forests, grandparents and wonderful friends. These family visits will continue.

Ursula is survived by her husband Charles Carroll, son Fischer Carroll, daughter Alexandra Carroll, mother and stepfather Susan and Jim Stephenson, father and stepmother Carole and Doug Melvin, sister and brother-in-law Narda and Ulysses Sherman, brother and sister-in-law Michael Stephenson and Lucy Allen. And many other dear relatives and friends.

Donations in Ursula's memory can be made to the Tibetan Nun's project [tnp.org](http://tnp.org), or, as Ursula suggested, plant a tree in her memory. Her favorite was the Gingko biloba.

## OBITUARY

**Montanna Louise Jones (Ann Bernard) 1943-2018**

**M**ontanna was raised mainly in the south and moved to Oakland in the 1960s. There, she played bass and found "women's music" and the Women's Press Collective.

In 1975, the press sent her and her then-lover, African-American poet Pat Parker, on a cross-country poetry and bookselling tour.

Montanna recently wrote about the burgeoning women's and lesbian movements and the blatant and subtle racism they experienced on that trip.

From the Bay area, Montanna moved to Southern Humboldt, where she lived off-grid for 20 years. Those years were the inspiration for her 2012 master's thesis in Women's Spirituality through the Institute of Transpersonal Psychology.

Humboldt Faith Equality, encouraging mainstream churches to welcome LGBTQ+ people, was one result of that spiritual work. Her

partner Karen Jolley appeared in Montanna's life in 2011. Together, they created Happy Inner Prizes, which uses the Hoffmann Program of brain retraining to help kids who are struggling in school and adults with learning and memory issues.

Montanna was an amazing woman, a great community-builder, and an inspiration to many of us. She is survived by Karen, her brother Bob, nieces, nephews, and grandkids, and many many friends, who miss her as we appreciate having had her in our lives.

Please join us in celebrating Montanna's life, Sunday Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. at the Humboldt Herbals classroom, 300 Second St., Eureka. For information, call (707) 822-3405. Donations in Montanna's memory can be made to Happy Inner Prizes at [happyinnerprizes.com](http://happyinnerprizes.com).

## LEGAL NOTICES

## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

18-00754

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

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652 REDWOOD AVE.

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THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:

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S/ELIZABETH L. ROVERSI

SECRETARY

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, 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30

## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

18-00774

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THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY:

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This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on

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12/26, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16

## ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

## TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

A. Present name: GEORGIA ANGEL YOUNG

Proposed name: GEORGIA ANGEL EDGAR.

B. Present name: ADELAIDE SAIGE YOUNG

Proposed name: ADELAIDE SAIGE EDGAR.

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted.

Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted.

If no written objection is

timely filed, the court may

grant the petition without

a hearing.

Date: MARCH 1, 2019

Time: 1:45 p.m.

Dept.: 4

3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.

Date: DEC. 11, 20018

KELLY L. NEEL

Judge of the Superior Court

12/26, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16

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Date: DEC. 7 20018

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Judge of the Superior Court

12/26, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NATHAN TRAVIS BUCHERT

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

CASE NO. CV181055

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: NATHAN TRAVIS BUCHERT to Proposed name: NATHAN TRAVIS STIPEK

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Date: DEC. 7 20018

KELLY L. NEEL

Judge of the Superior Court

12/26, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

JANELL LYNN EDGAR

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

CASE NO. CV181040

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## Dispelling some myths about the animal shelter

There is always a lot of misinformation floating around about the Humboldt County Animal Shelter and what happens to animals that end up there. Most dogs and cats arrive at the shelter as strays that have been reported to animal control or local law enforcement.

Sometimes an animal will go to the shelter if its owner has died and there is no friend or relative available to take them in. Animals can be rescued from hoarding or neglect situations as well. Pets may end up at the shelter if their owners are arrested and there is not another safe place for them to go.

The shelter takes the responsibility of keeping animals safe very seriously. The idea that animals are taken to "the pound" and automatically put down is a fallacy. This shelter has a very low euthanasia rate.

So what does happen when an animal goes to the shelter? They are first put on a four-business-day legal hold to allow their owners to come and get them. If they are not claimed during that time they are temperament tested. Cats are tested for friendliness when being handled and dogs are checked for friendliness to people and dogs plus safety around food and toys.

If they pass they are put up for adoption and are available to the public. Rescues work with the cats and dogs that don't pass in order to help them become adoptable or to find them safe placements elsewhere if the shelter environment is too stressful for them.

There are lots of new dogs available for adoption at the shelter right now. Big and small, younger and older – there is quite a variety! Our most recent addition to the Adoptable is the very cute and aptly named Jumbo. Jumbo is a 1-year-old German Shepherd mix. He is a great big puppy!



Jumbo came in with another dog but is a bit of a shy boy on his own.

We walked him with some other dogs and once he felt a little braver he wanted to play with them, patting the littler dogs gently with his big paws. He has done well on his first ventures out on a leash and seems to be affectionate and responsive. Come meet this sweet big boy soon. It's going to be hard to resist this face! Jumbo is available through the shelter and can be seen at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. More information is available at (707) 840-9132 or on [petharbor.com](http://petharbor.com).

One of the smallest dogs currently in the shelter is Prancer, a 1- and-a-half-year-old Chihuahua mix. Prancer did not pass the temperament tests, a problem for some of the smaller dogs. He believes in acting tough first in hopes of keeping the big scary people away.

It took me a few tries to convince him that I was his friend but now he is happy to see me and easily leashes up for a walk! This little guy has a happy bouncy walking style which earned him his name.

Prancer seems to really like other dogs and would love a playmate. He is much braver around new dogs than he is with new people. These scared little ones often just need a quieter environment to let their personalities shine. Prancer will make a lovely companion for someone familiar with little dogs. We have lots of success stories of our littles going out through rescue and thriving in their new homes. If you'd like to meet this entertaining boy, please contact us at [redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com](mailto:redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com) or call (707) 839-9692.



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**PLOVER LECTURE** On Friday, Jan. 18, come learn about Snowy Plovers from Alexa DeJoannis. Her lecture, titled "Why Should I Care About Snowy Plovers? A Local Example of What Species Loss Can Mean," will enlighten attendees about the daily life of federally threatened local plovers, how they fit into their environment, and how that environment affects us. While Snowy Plovers have made frequent appearances in news headlines and government reports, they're just one of many species living on the beach.

Together, these beach denizens make the dunes "work." DeJoannis holds a master's degree in wildlife from Humboldt State University. She studied the timing of plover's winter feather molt and helped monitor their spring/summer breeding. She previously worked in seabird colonies, deserts, and boreal forests. This free public lecture, starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center, is sponsored by Friends of the Arcata Marsh. Seating is limited to the first 50 attendees, on a first-come, first-served basis (no longer taking reservations). For more information, call (707) 826-2359.

**DUNE WORK** Help restore the dune ecosystem on the Friends of the Dunes property on Saturday, Jan. 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers will be removing invasive plants to make room for native plant diversity. Tools, gloves and snacks will be provided. Please bring water and wear work clothes. Meet at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Ln. in Manila. For more information contact [info@friendsofthedunes.org](mailto:info@friendsofthedunes.org) or call (707) 444-1397.

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